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▼WARTBURG ONE OF BEST COLLEGES IN NATION—*U.S. News and World Report* has ranked Wartburg College as one of the best liberal arts colleges in the United States for the tenth consecutive year. Wartburg was one of 160 national private colleges cited in the magazine's 1997 Best Colleges survey.

▼WARTBURG WEST COORDINATOR HERE—Rev. Nelson Bock, Wartburg West coordinator, will be on campus Oct. 20-23 for students interested in attending Wartburg West for the next school year. Three Wartburg West students and Bock will participate in an informational session Tuesday, Oct. 22, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Castle Room.

▼AAL AWARDS GRANTS TO ASSIST WARTBURG—Two grants have been awarded to Wartburg College by Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) to assist the college with endowment growth and institutional planning. The first grant was awarded for a project that builds a volunteer-assisted development program. The program focuses on gifts to the college's endowment. The second grant is to help fund student market research to evaluate issues, themes and activities related to the development of a revised curriculum for the college.

▼BIRTHDAY BASHES FOR EVERYONE—Rickey Hall, director of student diversity programs, and Janet Alexander, director of international programs, are planning on having a monthly birthday program to celebrate students' birthdays of that month. The first birthday party will be next Wednesday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m. in the Diers House celebrating September and October birthdays. Those with summer birthdays can celebrate their half-birthdays in December, January and February.

Campus cries 'Outfly'

The most anticipated day of the year finally arrived Thursday, complete with nippy temperatures, raucous music, wild costumes and thankful students.

by Kel Hocker
Staff Writer

A week and a day after the men's cross crountry team awakened campus with their "trial" run, the real thing hit.

Students awakened last Thursday to the cheerful sound of "Outfly!" screamed at the tops of many lungs. The pep band greeted students with the song "In Heaven There Is No Beer" and other favorites as they gathered around the Victory Bell.

Some took the time to dress warmly, while others prepared to show their spirit with creative costumes.

Some of the interesting attire featured were togas, shirtless men in kilts smoking cigars, cavegirls with clubs, people in strange pajamas and gorilla-masked cheerleaders. A scantily clad mannequin also graced the crowd.

While toilet paper flew, some students chased each other with orange and black foam tubes. People danced to the music of the pep band and cameras flashed. Chattering teeth showed through many sleepy smiles.

However, amongst the spirit, calls for Matt Bode went unanswered. President Robert Vogel arrived at 7:20 a.m. and renewed the calls for Bode to be found. The search was a failure. Vogel declared that Bode was the first student body president in Wartburg history left unfound.

Photo by Nathan Friesen
Let the fun begin – The residents of Grossmann 1 gathered at the Victory Bell Thursday to ring in Outfly. Front row (approximately): Tess Gehrke, Laura Hofer, Jessica Erickson and Jamie Sullivan. Back row (approximately): Heather Fink, Erin Larson, Leta Arndt, Christi Larson, Kristi Himstedt, Kara Kehe, Tavi Madden and Sara Larson.

Photo by Jaime Spratt
At left, sophomore Heather Hugley pushes freshman Kevin Smith in the gurney race, one of many activities.

Many people walked right by his hiding place behind Neumann Auditorium. Bode named off people he knew who did not see him.

"I walked right by him and I still don't know who he is," sophomore Ryan Harms said.

This reaction was not singular. Freshmen seemed unaware that Bode was missing. Many said they did not even know who he was.

Outfly continued despite this break in

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Hazing casts shadow at Loras

by Aaron Loan
Staff Writer

While hazing is not typically a problem at Wartburg, a college in Wartburg's athletic conference is dealing with this situation following an incident that occurred three weekends ago.

The expulsion of 17 Loras College students for their involvement in fraternity-related hazing was reversed this week by an appeals board, and the students were allowed back into the Dubuque college.

According to Loras student Ben Junk, a park ranger walking by the off-campus Epsilon Zeta Tau (EZT) fraternity house saw the hazing taking place and reported it to school officials.

Loras officials have refused to give the names of the students, nor the nature of the alleged hazing.

After one week of investigation and deliberation, school officials decided the 17 students would be expelled for their involvement in the hazing.

But this week, an appeals board ruled their punishment too harsh and too quickly administered, especially in light of the lack of physical evidence on hand.

Webster's Dictionary defines "hazing" as an initiation by exacting "humiliating performances or playing rough practical jokes."

Hazing of any sort is illegal for Loras students because of an alcohol-related incident that led to the death of one student in 1989. This incident also resulted in the banning of several Greek organizations from the college.

Yet EZT, a "non-college sponsored" fraternity, still exists today and uses some of the old initiation rituals during Rush Week, including smearing matter onto inductees' bodies, inserting objects into bodily orifices and other activities.

Wartburg Hazing

While hazing at Wartburg today seems to exist only in sports and a few other student activities, former students remember a time when hazing was more widespread.

Dave Harrenstein, electronic media specialist and 1970 Wartburg graduate, said when he was at college, the most feared people on campus were the "Ambassadors," several upperclassmen from the North Hall Residence Hall.

The Ambassadors, mostly comprised of male athletes, acted as if their job was to put freshmen through a "boot camp," make them line up for inspections, answer questions with a "yes, sir" or "no, sir" or do physical activities such as push-ups.

This hazing never resulted in physical harm, just intimidation, said Harrenstein.

Duane Schroeder, director of public information and a 1958 graduate of Wartburg, remembers his days of freshmen hazing as slightly different from Harrenstein's.

In the 1950s, freshmen had to wear green beanies from the start of the school year until the first touchdown was scored at the Homecoming football game.

If freshmen were approached during this beanie-wearing time, they could be "buttoned."

For a buttoning, freshmen had to put both index fingers on the button on top of the beanie, bow to the upperclassman and parrot a statement lauding these senior students.

This type of hazing generally faded out of Wartburg life during the early 70s because of a lack of interest in continuing the hazing tradition. Other schools, like Loras, eliminated hazing through school regulations, such as regulating the Greek organizations.

'School sucks' web page dishonors code

A website on the Internet allows students to download term papers, exams and resumes sent in by students from all over the world.

by Ryan Hegge
Staff Writer

The ever-growing Internet makes information easy to find, and it now makes it easier to cheat.

School Sucks (http://www.school-sucks.com) is a world wide web page that allows students to download term papers, exams and resumes sent in by students from all over the world. Its motto on the page is: "Download your workload."

This controversial page was placed on the www by Kenneth Sahr, a journalism student at Miami's International University, according to an AP press release.

The disclaimer found on the School Sucks web page lets the users know that the service is to be used to "assess a particular subject" and "help students with that initial spark of thought."

The disclaimer also said that "students will not use School Sucks to plagiarize."

With the Wartburg College Honor Code students are "reminded of their responsibility to promote academic honesty by opposing cheating and plagiarism and reporting dishonest work."

But even with the Honor Code there are students who would use this page to cheat.

One Wartburg student said he would use the term papers on this www page if "I found myself behind in my classes."

When asked if he would feel guilty about doing this, the response was, "No, because I'd get the assignment done using the resources that are offered." He knows it is plagiarism, but he said he had downloaded papers from the Internet before.

Michael Scherb, senior, when asked if he would use it, said, "No, it is unethical, and speaking pragmatically, most assignments are too unique to pull off the web and use directly."

Dr. Fred Strickert said that he doesn't see this page as a problem.

"Term papers are too specific and the assignments given wouldn't be as general as the papers students could find on the School Sucks page," he said.

What if one knows another student used one of the term papers offered on School Sucks, handed it in, and got away with it?

One student said he would not turn in other students because "it is their own business."

There is one thing wrong with this statement. The Honor Code brochure states that any student with knowledge of a violation of the Honor Code should take the responsibility to inform the instructor of the violation.

In fact, the most frequent response to if students would turn a fellow student in was "no."

The students thought it should be the responsibility of the person cheating to turn themselves in, or not to cheat in the first place.

One student said he wouldn't tell because, "sooner or later it [cheating on term papers] would catch up to them because they're not learning how to write."

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>
> —Michael Scherb, senior

This service is not exactly a new idea.

"Frat houses have been collecting papers and tests for years; this is not a new idea, merely a new manner to implement it," Scherb said.

The way the School Sucks website will be used is up to individual students.

People magazine quoted Sahr saying that if students "can't figure out the difference between good and bad, it's their problem."

Strickert said it is up to the individual to decide what they can and can't do.

He also said that he would pick it up quickly if someone tried to pull a term paper off this web page.

While the Honor Code may or may not prevent Wartburg students from using this page, it really might not matter.

"No matter what, people are going to find a way to cheat the system," one student said.

But the reason Sahr put this page on the www is because he wanted students to stop using the pay-per-use term papers that are offered in the back of *Rolling Stone* and other magazines, according to the AP press release.

With or without this page students could find ways to plagiarize. This page just makes it much easier to copy term papers that professors may not have seen.

But that isn't Sahr's only reason for the page, as the Sept. 23 issue of *People* quoted him saying other reasons for School Sucks page are to "force lazy faculty members to come up with more creative and specific assignments," and "I really believe that students can use this to see how students in other parts of the world attack a given issue."

School Sucks "is not going to help those who take their studies seriously, it will only help slackers," one student said. While "slackers" may find easy information off of the Internet, cheating off of the Internet is just as easy.

Outfly boasts tradition

by Kel Hocker
Staff Writer

Through the years of tradition, the power of calling Outfly changed has changed hands.

According to President Robert Vogel, when Outfly started over 100 years ago, the entire student body would hike to a state park for the day.

After the campus moved to Waverly, students gathered around the president's house the night before to have Outfly declared. A majority of the campus had to show up and display great school spirit before the president would declare Outfly. The students gathered the next day on the Outfly grounds, which were along the Cedar River north of where the VFW is, to play softball and other recreational activities.

Outfly used to happen once each semester, but was eliminated.

The activities on Outfly are usually laid back, and security has a peaceful day, though Outfly has not been without tragedy.

According to Bud Potter, Wartburg security chief, two male students died about 25 years ago at the Outfly grounds on Outfly. The students waded across the river. While wading back, they stepped into a sinkhole and drowned.

Despite this tragedy, Outfly lives on. Drinking and trying to miss tests and classes took the power of calling Outfly from the students' hands. Outfly was then called by an area celebrity.

Anselm Itandala informs community

by Heather Hugley
Staff Writer

Many people left Buhr Lounge Tuesday night thinking about what they could do to help Tanzania after hearing Dr. Anselm Itandala, a Fulbright Scholar, speak of issues concerning his home country.

Itandala said he was not speaking as an expert on Tanzanian issues, but offering facts about the country's physical features and economy, both past and present.

He explained how Tanzania got its name. He said it is derived from two words: Tanganyika and Zanzibar. The first three letters of each were put together. Then to make the country's name have a more beautiful sound, Itandala said that the -ia was added, creating "Tanzania."

Itandala said his home country has struggled with many issues, including overpopulation, AIDS-related health concerns, high unemployment rates and difficulties with the economy.

For some, it was a chance to understand more about the African nation and African friends.

"It was very informative. He gave me a very good background on Masala's country," Judy Johnston, Masala Nkurlu's host mother, said.

"He provides an enlightening view about Tanzania as a native," said junior Matt Bode. "I enjoy hearing about Tanzania from a native rather than a second-hand source."

Itandala ended his speech by giving an open invitation to all to visit Tanzania so that they can see exactly what the situation is like there.

A few audience members said they would consider his offer.

"If I were to go to Africa, I would take his invitation to go to Tanzania seriously," said Dr. Warren Zemke, professor of chemistry.

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TANZANIA OVERVIEW—Dr. Anselm Itandala spoke about his home country Tanzania Tuesday night in Buhr Lounge.

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Outfly dawns cold, students' enthusiasm chilled

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tradition. Vogel was joined by KWWL movie critic Gary Sarnoff. Sarnoff delivered a brief message to the crowd, saying, "I give all you guys an A+. You're crazy!"

In the true spirit of Outfly, a few students said they wanted to get a jump on the festivities. Seniors Brian Nelson, Rich Kloster, Chris Montross, Brent Schmadeke and junior Chad Sheetz slept by the bell for two nights.

On Wednesday morning the group went out at 1:30 a.m. and stayed until 7 a.m., only to find their prediction of Outfly was wrong. Undaunted, they returned to the bell on Thursday at 2:30 a.m.

According to Montross, at 5 a.m. the wind "almost blew us away." At 6:20 a.m., the cold was too much and they retreated to the Manors. Montross said he was "bummed out" that they left too early, and "sleep was scarce" for the last two days.

JoAnna Wyatt said she was ready to take matters into her own hands. In Dr. Fred Strickert's class, Wyatt heard that until five or 10 years ago the students would gather at the president's house and cheer until Outfly was called.

Wyatt said, "We called a bunch of people, but this morning it just fizzled out."

"Fizzled out" described the spirit and turnout at the bell that morning, according to the view of a few members on campus.

"Campus wasn't as lively as it has been, maybe because of the weather," senior Kim Jass said.

The cold numbed some students' spirits, keeping them in bed. Many others waited in line in front of the cafeteria for breakfast.

Senior Sara Johnson said she was "disappointed" in the number that showed up at the bell.

As usual, the cafeteria was full of students as the pep band played the school songs. People stood on chairs showing school spirit during the fight song.

Some students participated in activities planned throughout the day. Others spent the day in bed or lounging around. Students also took advantage of the sunny day and spent it outdoors.

Yet another Outfly has come and gone. Classes have resumed, and the nerves of teachers and students are set for the next break.

Photos by Nathan Friesen

A SEA OF THE GRATEFUL AWAKENED — Students brave cool temperatures to ring in Outfly 1996, waiting even longer than usual for the elusive Student Body President Matt Bode. Campus Activities Board sponsored contests in the interim.

Campus politicos gather in the Lair

Presidential candidates debate

by Victor Thu
Staff Writer

The Lair was the political center for students on the Wartburg campus in the debate between presidential candidates Bill Clinton and Bob Dole last night.

The event in the Lair was sponsored by the Wartburg Democrats with food and drinks provided. Both Democrats and Republicans said they thought Clinton and Dole performed well in the debate.

The debate centered on several issues ranging from drugs to conflicts in the Middle East. Clinton started off the debate by emphasizing his achievement in the last four years in office. In his opening remarks, Dole raised issues on the quality of life and the safety of Americans.

Junior Bryce Formwalt, president of the Wartburg Republicans, said that Dole looked more lively at the debate.

"Bob Dole was actually more spongy tonight as compared to what he had always been," said Formwalt after the debate.

During the debate, Dole was found veering off topics in certain issues. When asked about his personal difference as compared to Clinton, Dole discussed his blood pressure and weight.

Junior Nathan Pipho, co-president of the Wartburg Democrats, said Clinton responded well to attacks from Dole.

ABC News Opinion Poll

Before the debate:	*After the debate:*
Clinton: 51%	Clinton: 56%
Dole: 39%	Dole: 41%
Perot: 6%	Perot: 2%

Clinton kept his composure and restated his achievements as a president. There were more pointed attacks by both sides, as opposed to the debate in 1992, said Pipho.

Both sides showed distinctive differences on the issue of education. Dole is in favor of elimination of the education department. Dole said he thinks it is another form of bureaucracy, and federal government shouldn't be involved in education in public schools.

On the other hand, Clinton says his proposed education department would improve the quality of education in public school where 90 percent of American students are.

Clinton and Dole both advocate smaller government except that each of them has a different approach.

Issues on Medicare and Medicaid were raised several times in the debate with no clear winner on the issue. Both sides pointed fingers at each other when talking about drug use increase among teenagers.

According to an ABC Poll released soon after the debate, people who would vote for Clinton rose by 5 points and Dole by 2 points. Perot's share dropped by 4 points after the debate.

More information about both candidates can be found on-line. Clinton-Gore's official website is "http://www.cg96.com." The Dole-Kemp official website is: "http://www.dolekemp96.org."

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Find a fortune at new Asian eatery

Two students taste the local Chinese options at Asian Garden and Great Dragon

By Heather Homandberg and Chrissy Morrissey, Staff Critics

The Waverly and Wartburg communities now have two choices for Chinese cuisine.

The arrival of the Great Dragon has created competition for the five-year-old Asian Garden.

Being the adventurous girls we are, we decided to experiment with a new trade as rookie food critics.

So, we took a "wok" down to these two restaurants to take a look at what they had to offer.

Asian Garden

The authenticity and elegant ambiance at Asian Garden was impressive. The decoration and music add a realistic Chinese touch.

For example, the large gold Oriental design on the wall keeps a consistent theme in the decor.

In general, the atmosphere was genuine with the exception of one "American" aspect.

The first thing customers see before entering the establishment is a Budweiser beer sign in the front window. What better way to appeal to the American public than a neon beer sign?

When dealing with customers, service at Asian Garden wasn't quite up to par. We expected better from the restaurant.

At first, the service was friendly and prompt. Yet, as the meal progressed, the quality of service depreciated.

A waitress brought the food in a timely manner, but that was the last we saw of her. No one asked how the food was or if anything else was needed.

The water glasses were refilled once, but one glass was excluded from the round of refills because the waiter couldn't reach it.

The food, hmm... The egg rolls were good and the tea was okay, yet one main course was not as expected.

The shiang shrimp that was marked in the menu as a "spicy hot" item was by no means bad, but it was somewhat bland, lacking that extra kick . A different main entree was listed as "spicy hot" and was.

Located on East Bremer Ave., Asian Garden is a respectable restaurant. The few glitches we found can be expected from any restaurant.

Great Dragon

Our second dining experience took place at Great Dragon, Waverly's new Chinese restaurant. It is located along Highway 218, neighbored by Wal-Mart and Hy-Vee.

The atmosphere at Great Dragon is nice, yet Asian Garden seems fancier.

Both places were very stylish, but the Great Dragon is decorated with a few more Chinese accents than Asian Garden.

Again a few things were "American," such as the fountain drink machine. There was also a large waterfall portrait on the wall that didn't really fit the Chinese decor.

Nothing extraordinary stood out in comparison to the neon beer sign at Asian Garden.

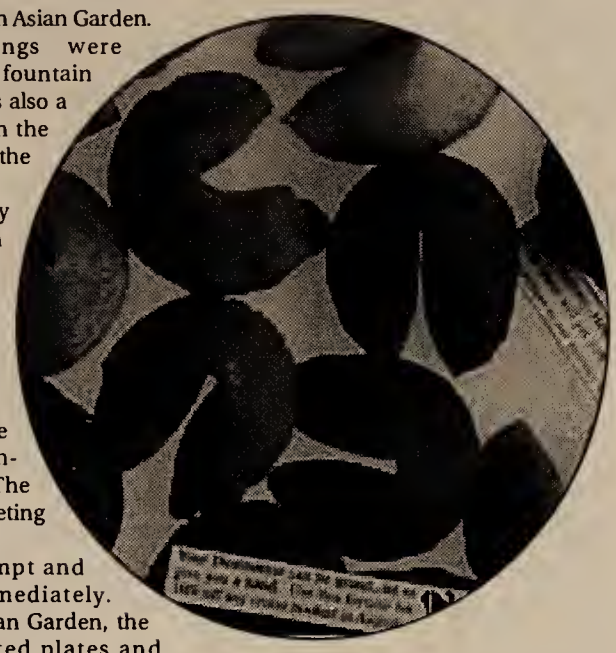
The Chinese designs on the dishes were a nice detail to add to the overall effect.

The friendly staff made our visit to this establishment very comfortable. The host gave a courteous greeting and seated us right away.

The waiter was prompt and took drink orders immediately. Unlike the service at Asian Garden, the waiter cleared unwanted plates and checked on us periodically – the water glasses were all filled this time.

The service was quite superb even though we ordered the buffet.

We agree that the food was delectable and the choices were abundant at Great Dragon.



Final Choice

Although the restaurants differ in style, we appreciated the chance to try more than one type of dish.

Even without the buffet, Great Dragon has a wider selection of meals.

After looking at our likes and dislikes of each restaurant, our preference lies with Great Dragon.

The prices of both establishments are similar, but customers get more for their money with Great Dragon's buffet.

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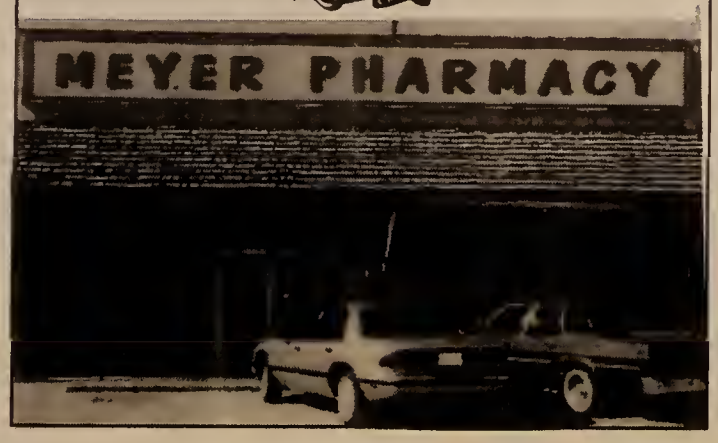

Editorial

President Matt Bode clears Outfly rumors

Students should rejoice in free day rather than dwell on things out of their control.

Matt Bode
Student Body President

Most of the Wartburg community burst with joy on Thursday morning, the chosen date of Outfly 1996.

The rest of the day spilled over with students racing gurneys across the campus mall, imitating "Singled Out" and lounging while watching Must-see TV.

But what happens before the BIG DAY?

Answer: Complaining, moaning and bitching.

Everyone wants to know when the partying can begin and the studying can end.

The most commonly asked questions are when the day is and who gets to call it.

According to Student Body President Matt Bode, he picked a day, told Daddy Vogs and waited for the college president's approval.

And out of all the students, Bode has reason to complain.

Bode said he turned the volume down on his phone and would find five to six hangups on his answering machine each morning for two weeks.

He received a few e-mail messages. Students gave him their input every day.

And this year, when the date dawned, Bode hiked to the blue room behind Neumann Auditorium at 6:10 a.m. and waited for someone to find him.

No one did.

So, after waiting until 7:25 a.m. as he was instructed by Vogel, Bode found himself and went to the Victory Bell.

Students who before complained about when the day would finally come, now complained about the absentee president.

(Does anyone remember hearing "What does Matt Bode look like?" on Thursday morning?)

Bode said he chose the date at nearly the same time other presidents have.

"It seemed later because it was October," he said.

School started a week later as well.

Well, by the time the doughnuts were gone in the Cafeteria, the complaining stopped and the majority enjoyed the day, or used it to their advantage.

The lesson to learn? BE GRATEFUL.

Have any students ever heard of a college calling off classes for a day? On purpose?

Most of the complaining stems from the unknown. Bode cleared the air with a few simple answers.

It was nice to see apathetic students turn into normal, relaxed human beings for a day.

That's what Outfly should be – a chance to forget crazy college life and enjoy one of the first episodes of "ER."

Bode also said President Vogel believes this was the first time a president hasn't been found on Outfly.

Column

Calling Outfly deserves revamp with sensibility

Justin Schaefer
Featured Columnist

The day has come, the day has gone.

No, I am not talking about an earthly miracle; I am talking about Outfly — the day when all Wartburg students go back to bed and sleep in till noon. Do not pick up a book, but pick up other objects. Yes, there are some people that think the day is for catching up. I will agree, but I think that Outfly was intended to relieve the stress-filled minds of college students.

But after living my last Outfly, I came to a few conclusions that I would like to share: 1) You can never predict Outfly; 2) For Outfly to be called, the temperatures should be at least in the 40s, (in the morning, not the afternoon); 3) If the temperature is less than 40 degrees, the student body president should have to hide all day in his hiding spot because that is a justifiable punishment for calling Outfly too late in the year.

I can see the president arriving at the bell driving a snowmobile, dressed in an arctic tundra suit.

To go on ... the Outfly late in the year. What would happen if Outfly was called in December? I can see the president arriving at the bell driving a snowmobile, dressed in an arctic tundra suit.

Students will attend with their school-supplied portable heaters. Some of the events could be: the Best Snow Sculptured Replica of St. Francis; the great faculty vs. student body snowball fight; and the fastest snow shoveler: a competition between maintenance's John Deeres and students who think they could win.

Another activity - who could build the best snow dormitory to relieve overcrowding in rooms for a day?

So watch out next year. My four years of Outfly are over. But for those of you waiting another year for the Outfly tradition, get your snowshoes ready.

But, I guess I broke my own rule against predicting Outfly.

Column

Plain Spoken Bob vs. Slick Willie

Jeremy Brummond
National Politics

Ladies and gentlemen, it is time for the real campaigning to start.

For the first time since election hype began in early 1996, the American public has been presented with both sides of the issues. Bob Dole and President Bill Clinton have completed the first debate of the campaign. Now they are waiting to see how the public reacts.

Prior to this debate, Clinton's lead in the polls was large enough that his staff was not very concerned about the latest confrontation. Even if Dole would win all of the debates, it is very possible that he could not erase the damage that has already been done. According to a *USA Today* poll, 65 percent of the voting population had already made up their minds before last night's debate. Research has shown that changing opinion is near impossible without a drastic event, and it would seem that the debate was not quite drastic enough.

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In preparation for last night's festivities, several political strategies were used by both parties. Whether or not they worked will soon be decided. One strategy used by Clinton and Dole that I find to be rather humorous was the repeated practice of "mock" debates. In Clinton's case, going so far as to use lights and cameras. Yes, Dole did use former actor Fred Thompson for his practice, but in all fairness, he is a former senator, too.

Dole's main goals were to attack Clinton's policies and stay as far away from a character debate as he could. By constantly labeling Clinton as a liberal, and showing the public how Clinton likes to stretch the truth sometimes, Dole was sure to make a good showing.

Of course it was just more of the usual for President Clinton; attacking Dole's conservative ways, criticizing Dole's 15 percent across-the-board tax cut and portraying the former senator as a man that is "out of date" with what the American people want.

As a prediction, I would have said I thought Dole would do well enough to make a decent cut in Clinton's lead. Dole has more recent experience with debating and people love a comeback. But after watching the debates and seeing more of "Slick Willie's" media charm, I must once again bow my head in disappointment. Where is Colin Powell when you need him?

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FEATURES

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DADDY VOGS:

Up close and personal with Wartburg's president

by Sara Baker, News Editor
and Stephanie Robbins, Features Editor

Robert Vogel: the name is synonymous with Wartburg College.

Students walk past his office in the Classroom Technology Center daily, but few ever get the chance to enter.

Friday, Features Editor Stephanie Robbins and News Editor Sara Baker were allowed into the inner sanctum – with a full, but tidy desk, pictures of Germany's Wartburg Castle on the walls, photos of his grandchildren and a full-color drawing of the proposed new library on a table.

They entered to talk with President Vogel about the issues the college is facing today, from Outfly to the alcohol policy, and left with a clearer picture of the man who is the image behind Wartburg College.

What did you do for Outfly?

Got up early, I found my way to the bell, had a good breakfast, did a little polka ... wandered around campus a little while. I watched those gurney races, too.

How do you decide when to call Outfly – is it the weather, what?

ONE OF OUR OWN–Bob Vogel as a Wartburg sophomore. 1954 Fortress.

The student body president meets with me early in the term and we work it out. It used to be spontaneous decades ago. Students would all of a sudden get it started and ... get enough students to join in; it would all come together. Since the college has been larger, that's not been possible. There's still the mystery, intrigue to it – you don't know when it's going to be.

With the largest total enrollment this year, what do you think of the problem of overcrowding?

That's a tricky question. We're encouraging students to spend some time off campus; we never have more students on campus than we have facilities for. Right now, we're talking seriously about taking Old Grossmann and doing some renovation and using it as a residence hall.

Some students have not felt good about the new library's proposed place on campus. What do you think?

Photo by Nathan Friesen

IN THE GROOVE–President Vogel played the part early Thursday morning at the Victory Bell as Outfly is declared.

It was students who raised the idea (of a new library). The architect sat on campus, did sketches, took photos and brought them back. He persuaded me (about the proposed library placement on the west campus mall) even though I have guarded that piece of the mall for one-fifth of my life, since I've been here.

Do you think there's an alcohol problem on campus?

The problems we see on campus start when students get to be 18 and start college ... when the drinking age changed from 18 to 21, (and) 75 percent or more of your students aren't the legal age to drink. It's different than when almost all of your students are of the legal age, and you're trying to teach the responsibility of handling alcohol. The policy hasn't changed this year ... just stricter enforcement of the policy, and then the fact that the college has decided to use this new plan (OCTAA).

On a lighter note, how many Wartburg t-shirts and sweatshirts do you own?

That's a good question. I have enough for a pretty good garage sale.

Could you tell us a little bit about your family?

Probably the most exciting thing about my life is being a grandpa. Grandparenting changes your perspective on life. I probably think more about students on campus because I think about what it will be like in 15 years for these grandkids, what kind of love and direction they'll need.

Do you have a favorite book?

What I read for diversion is mysteries – Agatha Christie, John LeCarre; the spy and espionage things. I like good mystery stories; I'm reading some about the Midwest, about place – I feel a sense of place is terribly important, about where we grew up and where we're from.

Going back to the students, how well do you think you know the students of this campus, and how do you get yourself involved with students?

I know quite a few students, and yet there are an enormous amount of students I don't know. Most of my interactions and the students I know are through activities. It's not normally a deep friendship or relationship, it's more sort of knowing them, maybe knowing their parents ... I envy the faculty because you're in a classroom with people you watch and people you see developing, and you have interaction.

What's the hardest part of your job? And what's your favorite part – what are the extremes?

The president, not because of the person, but because of the office, probably is the only person who has a chance to see the total picture. What you really worry about is there's something there you don't see that will cause problems five or 10 years from now.

What is your favorite place on campus? Is there a place where you feel at home, a haven?

I like to spend time in the Chapel. I don't walk as much now, but I do walk the campus a lot. I love the new (south) entrance and the feel out here ... walking in and out of the campus every day and seeing St. Francis.

Talking about the Chapel, how do you feel about religious life on campus, this being a Lutheran-affiliated school? Sbould more of a point be made about it?

Religious life is one of the choices that students make ... and I've been personally uplifted with campus worship experiences. It can never be a requirement, really, and you want to be sure students have a chance to know what the faith is about. A student said to me, "I used to feel like a part of a small group...that took Chapel and faith expression seriously. Now, I feel like I'm part of a large group." I find the testimony and reflections of students to be particularly meaningful and inspiring, and encouraging personally.

And finally, a question we must ask: Do you wear boxers or briefs?

(Laughs) I'm not sure what the story is about there ... in fact, I'm not going to answer the question.

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'Black Knight' slogan grasps Wartburg team

by Josh Keesy
Staff Writer

Several new slogans and t-shirts can be seen around Wartburg football this year, most noticeably the "Black Knight."

The "Black Knight" slogan has caught fire with student fans. The concept was brought to campus with the hiring of new Head Football Coach Steve Hagen.

Hagen said he created the new slogan so his players "would have something to hang onto, or gravitate toward" when they are looking for extra strength and motivation.

The first variations of the t-shirts were used in the off-season as trophies given to standouts in several different strength and conditioning skills.

According to one football player, the shirts helped provide extra motivation during training.

He said he was personally disappointed when he did not receive one at the end of the preseason.

Another variation of the shirt includes a confidential defensive saying, 'G.A.T.A.,' that also has the "Black Knight" symbol on the front.

What Hagen might not have counted on is that many students around campus have also adopted this new idea.

Seven upperclassmen used the poem on shirts at a recent football game. "Black Knight Born, Black Knight Bred, Black Knight till the day I'm Dead."

Tracy Kleppe, one of the seven, said they made the shirts to support the football team.

She also said the shirts will not be exclusively worn at football games, but also at other athletic events to support all athletic teams.

Photo by Amber Dannenman

OUT OF MY WAY— Defender Toby Maidl leaps over a Loras College player in pursuit of the ball during Tuesday's contest at home. The Knights dropped the game to Loras, 6-0.

Soccer teams fall in conference play

by Mike Dart
Staff Writer

The Wartburg men's and women's soccer teams struggled this week, dropping all five games.

The women had a tough week, losing all three of their games. They opened the week against Loras at home, dropping a tough decision, 1-0.

"I think we surprised Loras," said junior Mandy Dreyer. "I don't think they expected us to come out as strong as we did. The girls showed a lot of heart and determination."

They then traveled to Luther on Thursday, coming up on the short end, 5-1. On one positive note, the women scored against Luther for the first time in Wartburg history.

The women's team ended the week on Saturday, traveling to Westmar and falling, 7-0.

"This wasn't the best week for us," said Sacha Riddell, a senior co-captain of the team. "We are all pretty tired. We have the skill, but it just isn't coming together for us."

The men also had a tough week, dropping both games. They also traveled to Loras, dropping the game 5-0.

"We didn't do too well against Loras," said Yannis Brownell, senior co-captain of the men's team. "Red cards killed us."

Traveling next to Le Mars and playing Westmar, they were thumped, 14-0.

"We only had 13 players against Westmar, thanks to injuries," said Brownell. "We were also out-classed big time."

Both teams hope their fortunes change this week as the men play at Mt. Mercy on Wednesday, while the women play at Knox, Ill. on Friday. Both of the teams host Central on Saturday. The women play at 1 p.m., and the men at 3 p.m.

Tennis team closes out regular season

by Chad Gade
Staff Writer

The Wartburg women's tennis team played its final games of the regular season last week, while tuning up for the Iowa Conference Tournament this Saturday.

On Monday, the Knights traveled to Cedar Falls to take on Division I University of Northern Iowa. Wartburg had difficulty with the larger school, going winless against the Panthers.

The Knights tried to get back on track Friday against Loras. Ellie Miller won in three sets, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2.

After that, they proceeded to lose three of the next four singles matches, the only win coming by Kristi Kischer with a score of 6-4, 6-3. Katie Peterson won her singles exhibition match, 6-3, 6-3.

In doubles action, the Knights failed to get on the winning track, losing all three doubles matches. Miller and Betsy Elbert lost, 6-3, 6-1; Shelly McCoy and Emily Bell lost, 6-1, 6-2 and Kischer and Becky Ferry lost, 6-0, 6-4. Kathryn Peterson and Chrissy Morrissey lost a tough exhibition match, 2-6, 6-4, 7-6, 7-5.

The loss to Loras put the Knight's conference record at 6-5 heading into this week's tournament.

On Saturday the Knights took on Cornell in Mt. Vernon. Elbert led the way with a 2-0 record on the day. In singles action she won, 6-1, 7-5, and with Miller the pair won, 6-4, 7-5 in doubles play. Those were the only wins the team had for the day.

Miller lost in a long contest 7-6, 7-3, 4-6, 6-2, while Kischer lost in three sets. McCoy and Bell each lost by the score of 6-2, 6-2 and Ferry lost 6-1, 6-1.

With Elbert and Miller winning their match, it looked as if things would turn around late in the day, but McCoy and Bell couldn't pull away in a close match, losing, 6-2, 7-6, 7-3. Kischer and Ferry lost in straight sets, 6-4, 6-4.

The Knights' post-season play begins this Saturday in Dubuque at 9 a.m.

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Y'ALL READY FOR THIS—Sophomore Ellie Miller prepares to unload into this backhand shot. The Knights will end their season in the IIAC tournament next weekend.

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Volleyball team to weather undefeated Storm

Photo by Nathan Friesen

DIGGIN' IT— Sophomore Sarah Nederhoff digs this hit in the Wartburg Tournament this weekend. Wartburg hosted seven teams in the tournament and placed third. Their only loss came to conference rival Central, who defeated the Knights, 3-1.

Wartburg will host the only undefeated conference team Thursday in what could be a decisive match for the IIAC crown.

by Suzanne Behnke
Staff Writer

The quest for the conference title will reach a new level this Thursday when the volleyball team plays undefeated conference leader Simpson.

"We need to win in order to have a chance at the title," said Head Coach Robin Hoppenworth. "We're going to do everything in these three days of practice."

The Knights stand at 3-1 in conference play with Central giving the team its only loss. Simpson and Central have yet to play, so Thurday's match could even out the IIAC competition. Several other teams have only one loss.

"It's going to be an emotional night," said Hoppenworth. "We need to find as many fans as we can to make some noise."

Wartburg upset the Storm last season, rallying from a two-game deficit. Team member Jen Nettleton said Simpson may come with last year in mind.

"They're probably going to be wanting to avenge last year," she said.

The Knights head into the Simpson match after finishing 3-1 at the Wartburg Invitational, getting third place. Mt. Mercy took second and Central snared the tournament title.

Wartburg won Friday night against Gustavus Adolphus and the University of Dubuque.

Saturday's play started with a loss in four games to Central. "When they (Central) pass well, they can do anything offensively," said Hoppenworth. "We didn't have a chance to dig it up."

The Knights won the last match against St. Catherine's (Minn.). Official statistics were unavailable at press time.

Now, the attention turns to the rest of the season — and the IIAC crown. "We just know it's a focal point for the season," said Nettleton.

Hoppenworth said, "If we can beat Simpson, we put ourselves and everyone else wide open in the conference."

Play begins Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Knights Gymnasium.

No postseason play for Knights after losing to Loras Duhawks

by Greg Berry
Staff Writer

Despite a record-setting performance by running back Trevor Shannon, the Wartburg football team suffered its second defeat of the year in a 42-41 thriller at Loras College.

In a game that eliminates the Knights from a conference title, Wartburg lowered their overall record to 2-2.

With Loras leading 7-0, Brian Nelson found Chris Shannon for a 47-yard gain. The Knights then proceeded to tie the game when Nelson ran the ball in for a 4-yard score just moments later.

On Loras' first play of the ensuing drive, Shane Davis went 70 yards for the touchdown to take the lead, 14-7. After just two offensive possessions and five team plays, Davis had amassed a total of 158 yards.

"Their running backs are good; I've been saying that all along. We had to slow them down," Head Coach Steve Hagen said.

When Loras thought they had Trevor Shannon stopped for no gain, he broke tackles and bounced off defenders, running for a 79-yard touchdown, putting the Knights within one at 14-13.

Loras would find the end zone again, and at the end of the first quarter the Duhawks held a 21-13 edge.

Wartburg stormed out of the gates in the second quarter with a 1-yard plunge into the end-zone by Trevor Shannon. Nelson made good on a two-point conversion to even the score at 21.

After an Adam Ferbal interception, Duhawk quarterback Vince Taeger found Shane Cunningham in the end zone with time running out, taking the lead once again, 28-21.

The first play of the second half featured Trevor Shannon running 62 yards into the end-zone. Eric George nailed the extra point, tying the game at 28.

"Their running backs are good; I've been saying that all along."
—Steve Hagen
Head Coach

Wartburg's defense was the story in the third quarter. Loras had the ball and a first down at the Wartburg 4-yard line. The defense held their ground, causing a bobbled snap on a field goal attempt.

Later the defense recovered a fumble and gave the offense a chance to take the lead.

Trevor Shannon stepped up to the task, racking up 38 more yards on a touchdown with under a minute left in the third quarter. George made the extra point, making the score 35-28 and giving the Knights their first lead of the game.

Moments later, Wartburg forced a Loras turnover at the Knights 25-yard line, setting up an eventual touchdown run by Nelson. George missed a key extra point attempt, keeping the game at 41-28.

After another Duhawk score, George missed a 23-yard field goal attempt with just under nine minutes remaining.

With minutes on the clock, Loras took the lead 42-41 on another Davis touchdown.

Wartburg then drove down to the Loras 23-yard line and had a third down with only 10 seconds left on the clock. However, a 42-yard field goal attempt by George came up short.

Trevor Shannon led the Wartburg offense with 342 yards on 39 carries, setting a new Iowa Conference single-game rushing record.

The old record of 323 rushing yards was set by Buena Vista's Gary Nelson in 1968.

WARTBURG		LORAS
25	First Downs	22
53-429	Rushes-yards	59-421
156	Passing yards	171
8-18-2	Passing	9-17-0
1-1	Fumbles-lost	3-2
3-30	Penalties-yards	1-10
26:12	Time of possession	33:48

Scoring by quarters

Wartburg	13	8	20	0	— 41
Loras	21	7	0	14	— 42

Scoring

L—Shane Davis 75 run (Joe Oleson kick)
W—Brian Nelson 4 run (Eric George kick)
L—Davis 70 run (Oleson kick)
W—Trevor Shannon 79 run (George kick failed)
L—Kevin Coy 50 run (Oleson kick)
W—T. Shannon 1 run (Nelson run)
L—Shane Cunningham 63 pass from Vince Taeger (Oleson kick)
W—T. Shannon 62 run (George kick)
W—T. Shannon 38 run (George kick)
W—Nelson 13 run (George kick failed)
L—Greg Hancock 7 pass from Taeger (Oleson kick)
L—Davis 4 run (Oleson kick)

Individual statistics

RUSHING: T. Shannon 39-342, Tim Morrison 3-8, Nelson 8-62, Jon Kelly 3-17
PASSING: Nelson 8-18-2-156
RECEIVING: Steve Carr 1-2, Derek Hartl 2-8, C. Shannon 4-128, Morrison 1-18

The *Trumpet's* Athlete of the Week

Catch me, if you can

Photo by Nathan Friesen

GO THE DISTANCE— Running back Trevor Shannon uses his explosive speed to break free against Upper Iowa on Sept. 28.

Compiled by Sports Staff

It has been two seasons, but fans of Wartburg College football have seen only a small glimpse of what is to come in the years ahead.

Sophomore Trevor Shannon has been a key player in Wartburg's offense this year.

Shannon broke the Iowa Conference record for most rushing yards in a game, 342, vs. Loras College on Saturday. For his efforts, he is chosen as this week's *Trumpet* Athlete of the Week.

The old record of 323 yards was held by Buena Vista's Gary Nelson. That record, set in 1968, was against Wartburg.

In only four games, Shannon has rushed for 606 yards on 88 carries, while finding the end zone 11 times.

Off the field, Shannon is very modest. He wants to be remembered as a student athlete.

"The offensive line deserves just as much credit as I do," Shannon said.

It was said before: this is only the beginning. This sophmore has two more seasons in the kingdom of the "Black Knight."